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SUBJECT: CHINESE EMBASSY ON SOVIET ECONOMIC COMMITMENTS TO POLAND

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH ACTING POL COUNS DECEMBER 17, JAPANESE
EMBOFF SAID CHINESE EMBASSY HERE HAS TOLD HIM CONFIDENTLY
AND AS FIRM INFORMATION THAT SOVIETS HAVE AGREED TO GIVE POLES
ADDITIONAL TWO MILLION TONS OF GRAIN AND TWO MILLION TONS
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OF OIL ABOVE PLANNED COMMITMENTS. ACCORDING TO SOURCE,
CHINESE CITED BUT DID NOT COMMENT
ON AUTHENTICITY OF BILLION RUBLE CREDIT FIGURE, AND
DID NOT OFFER DETAILS ON OIL OR GRAIN PRICE ARRANGEMENTS.

2. DURING REVIEW OF US-SOVIET BILATERAL GRAIN AGREEMENT

DECEMBER 15, SOVIET DEPUTY MINISTER FOR FOREIGN TRADE
GORDEYEV TOLD US THAT THERE ARE REQUESTS FOR GRAIN FROM
OTHER "SOCIALIST" COUNTRIES WHICH ARE BEING CONSIDERED
BY USSR AT THE "HIGHEST LEVELS" AND THAT FINAL QUANTITIES
HAD NOT BEEN DETERMINED. HE SAID THAT HE WAS NOT
AUTHORIZED TO DISCUSS DETAILS. WHEN QUESTIONED FURTHER
ON MATTER HE INDICATED THAT WHAT HAS BEEN PUBLISHED
IN GDR AND POLISH PRESS CAN PERHAPS REFLECT REALITY.
FYI: BOTH OF THESE COUNTRIES HAVE TO DATE REPORTED
PURCHASE OF ONLY ONE MILLION TONS EACH OF SOVIET
GRAIN.
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